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Subject: Swan Island U

Swan Island Upland Facility OU2

Outfall Reconnaissance

ECSI No. 271

Dear Jennifer:

Enclosed please find the Outfalls, Swan Island Upland Facility – Operable Unit 2 Memorandum (Memo) prepared for the Port of Portland (Port) by Ash Creek Associates. In an email dated June 19, 2007, you requested information on City-designated outfall WR158. In addition to this request it had been previously noted that discrepancies between City-designated outfall locations and Port understanding of outfall locations within Portland Harbor, differed. The Lower Willamette Group (LWG) initiated an outfall verification task to confirm the presence and status of outfalls & point sources identified on the City Geographic Information System (GIS) database. This memo supports those efforts as they relate to the Swan Island Upland Facility (SIUF) Operable Unit 2 (OU2).

You will note that three additional outfalls (CG-26, CG-27 & WR-159a), apparently abandoned, were identified on OU2. As we have discussed, you wish to review this information to determine if sampling similar to that conducted at the OU2 drainage pipes removed in August 2006 (Port, 2007) is necessary (i.e., sampling on the riverbank below the former discharge points).

You may note that Attachment B Photographic Log of the memo shows outfall WR-399 discharging to the bank area where a 55-gallon steel drum is present. The Port investigated this drum, found it to be empty and removed it from the bank for proper disposal.

We look forward to hearing from the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality on any additional sampling needs related to the abandoned outfalls. The Port plans to include any such requests in its Source Control Evaluation for OU2, which is currently being prepared.

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Please call me at (503) 944-7323 if you have any questions.

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Sincerely,

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Enclosure

References:

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